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OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the September 29, 2009 Office Action mailed in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the Office Action is originally due December 29, 2009. This paper is being timely filed on or before December 29, 2009.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.

A Japanese Notice of Allowance (Attachment A) is attached following the Remarks.